

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A unified logging service is provided which may be employed across a variety of applications, allowing collected information to be stored, aggregated, and accumulated; presenting a more complete view, than previously available, related to those applications. The unified logging service provides a generalized centralized web services based service with the capability of accepting and collecting a variety of log formats containing a variety of logged events. These events may originate from clients using differing log formats or types in a heterogeneous distributed computing environment. Acknowledgement of receipt of log files may be provided to the originating clients. A log routing capability is also provided as well as a central repository for storing and forwarding log messages flowing throughout the system. These services may be accessed locally or remotely via published web services interfaces.